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In your letter to me of " 10 / 31 / 84 Lakeland H. S." you close by listing two items in the News that I was to look out for. I spotted them both, and a third, on p. 4. Did you not notice your name there ?

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  - 3. Baptist Bible Choir to perform at Eckdale — p. 5
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November 2, 1984

Robert -

I have done all of my Christmas shopping, and it is all coming to you by mail. I have bought everybody bulbs, and they are all being sent to post office box 161.

There will be 6 freesia bulbs  
100 Lily naturalizing mixture  
4 gloxinia bulbs

They are to be distributed thusly :

WSP-HIRP	RTP	& family	PEG	SRP	
30	30		10	30	
1	1		1	1	
1	1		1	1	DWP 2

The particulars are in the sheets herewith attached.

The freesias should be coming almost immediately.

The lilies are shipped for spring planting.

I don't know when the gloxinias will be shipped .

Would it be too much to ask to ask you to distribute the bulbs when they

arrive, according to the chart above.

Thank you.

DWP

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Send to: S. Robert Powell			
Street address: Post Office Box 161			
Carbondale, PA 18407			
City/State/Zip			
Gift card to read: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Merry Christmas <input type="checkbox"/> Season's Greetings			
Item #	Qty.	Description	Price
84113	1	Collection of Freesias	25.00
84337	1	Gloxinia Collection	25.00
84200	100	bulbs Lilies Naturalizing	75.00
Shipping			13.50
add 7.5% tax if delivered to CT			
Total Gift #1			138.50

DONALD W. POWELL		308
208 KLC WIDENER UNIVERSITY		Oct. 30 19 84
CHESTER, PA. 19013		3-3
PAY TO THE ORDER OF White Flower Farm		\$ 138.50
One hundred and thirty eight dollars and 50/100-----		DOLLARS
GIRARD BANK Philadelphia PA		
Christmas 1984		Donald W Powell
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### Freesias

The true aristocrat of cut flowers is the Freesia. Arching sprays of graceful tubular blooms produce a fragrance that has the pungency of citrus rind plus the sweetness of 'Taper-white' Narcissus and still manages to be light. They are prized by arrangers who delight in their exquisite delicacy and form.

Freesias have a reputation for being lovely but fussy. The former is true, but the latter is no longer the case. Modern strains are reliable, and virtually pest-free. Colors and fragrance are consistently excellent. The bulbs we ship are the largest size available and have been prepared for forcing by refrigeration. There is, however, a cautionary note. It is a mistake to think of Freesias as "forcing bulbs." In the cool, sunny conditions they prefer, bulbs require fully three months to flower and this is more patience than some folks can manage. When we hear of problems with Freesia, it is almost always a question of time—not of culture. For this reason, we ship upon receipt of order unless otherwise instructed and do not recommend Freesias for city apartments.

A dozen bulbs in a well-proportioned pot make a handsome display and our offering provides just that, in

your choice of six different colors. The pot and saucer are hand-thrown and have a soft, unglazed finish. (See photo on page 8.) Potting soil and a stem support are included. If plagued by indecision, purchase the collection of all 6 varieties and 3 pots separately. We have known of people who gardened their whole lives without enjoying their own crop of Freesia. It's simply inexcusable.

A Pot of Freesias. A dozen bulbs, clay pot and saucer, potting soil, and Stem Support. Please order by variety. each \$32. (E, \$3.20; W, \$4.80.)

'Ballerina'. 84115. Pure white and large-flowered.

'Pimpernel'. 84116. Red outside, burnt umber inside.

'Royal Blue'. 84117. Lavender-blue.

'Rosemary'. 84118. Deep rose.

'Sonata'. 84119. Soft yellow, sunny.

'Tekolate'. 84120. Warm, rosy pink.

Collection of Freesias. 84113. 6 bulbs each of 6 varieties plus 3 Freesia Supports and potting soil. each \$25. (E, \$2.50; W, \$3.75.)

### Lilies for Naturalizing

For the past four years, we have been offering a mixture of hybrid Lily bulbs which we purchase in volume from a large-scale breeder. His crosses are made in an effort to develop better varieties for cut flowers and the parents include some of the most elegant flowers ever seen, with heights generally 2 to 3 feet—short enough, that is, not to need staking.

Our mixture is blended to include the paler tones most appropriate to a natural setting. The composition varies, but is approximately 40% yellow, pale yellow, and white; 40% deep red, light red, and orange; and 20% rose, pink, and pale pink. The effect in June is marvelous and the price is laughably low when compared with named

varieties. Yes, they cost more than Daffodils, but not a lot more. More than half of current sales are repeat orders from folks who are adding to their plantings—a fact which speaks for itself. We extend our naturalized plantings annually and pop a few dozen in the cutting garden each spring. One caution: as deer are notoriously fond of the buds of Lilies, this mixture is not well-suited to areas where deer herds are active in early summer. Shipped for spring planting.

Lily Naturalizing Mixture. 84200. Please order by quantity.  
100 bulbs. \$75. (E, \$7.50; W, \$11.25.)  
50 bulbs. \$40. (E, \$4.00; W, \$6.00.)  
25 bulbs. \$27.50. (E, \$2.75; W, \$4.13.)

### Gloxinias—Carefree Houseplants

Not many gardeners realize that Gloxinias (properly called *Sinningia*) are as easy to grow as the commonest of houseplants. Certainly your local florist discourages that impression by asking thirty dollars for a ten-week-old plant. Fact is, Gloxinias are as easy as African Violets. One grown here produced 33 blooms and while that is exceptional, 20 is not. Tubers may be cleaned and stored after bloom each year, for they grow larger and more glorious as they age. We offer a collection of four hybrids: 'Emperor Frederick', scarlet with pure white edge; 'Prince Albert', deep violet and heavily frilled; 'Princess Elizabeth', light blue with white throat; and 'Mont Blanc', pure white throughout. The tubers are very large, about 3 inches in diameter, and will be potted before shipping, requiring only light and water upon arrival. A thoughtful gift idea—start the tubers yourself, then give to non-gardening friends.

Gloxinia Collection. 84377. 4 tubers, potted, with varieties indicated. \$25. (E, \$2.50; W, \$3.75.)